Community Needs and Resources Worksheet

Need is established for the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) based upon existing GSRP Risk Factors, available community resources, and the number of four-year-old children in the community. The table below offers a number of possible indicators of need and community factors that an applicant may wish to address. The data source where information may be found for a given county is also referenced. Data trends over a five-year period are important to describe community circumstances.

Indicator	Data Source	Michigan	Local District, PSA or Community	Data Trend (At least five years)
Number of children four years of age.	2000 Census Data, American FactFinder: Quick Table. www.census.gov	70,728 males 67,761 females		
Parents who report reading to their children at least once daily.	National Child Health Survey only state-level data available from this source.	51.1 percent.		
Percentage of low- birthweight births (less than 5.5 pounds)	2004 Natality Data Set www.kidscount.org.	8.3 percent		
Number of children birth to three years who are participating in <i>Early On®</i> .	MDE: Michigan Compliance Information System. December 2007.	17,764		
Number of four year old children who are participating in Early Childhood Special Education.	MDE: Michigan Compliance Information System. December 2007.	8012		
Children without internet access at home	2003 Census www.kidscount.org	38 percent.		
Children without a telephone at home	2003 Census www.kidscount.org	7 percent.		
Percentage of children age 5-17 who have difficulty speaking English.	2000 Census Data www.census.gov.	2.5 percent.		
Percentage of mothers without a high school diploma.	Published in Right Start MI 2006 www.milhs.org.	17 percent.		
Children in households where the household head is a high school dropout	2006 American Community Survey (ACS) Census Data and 2001 Supplemental Census Survey (SCS) published by Kids Count MI Data Book www.kidscount.org.	11 percent.		

Percentage of children by school district who have attended kindergarten two times.	MDE and local school districts.	11 percent.
4 th graders who scored below basic math level	NAEP 2007 http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportc ard/ and www.kidscount.org	20 percent.
4 th graders who scored below basic reading level	NAEP 2007 http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportc ard/ and www.kidscount.org	34 percent.
4 th graders who scored below basic science level	NAEP 2007 http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportc ard/ and www.kidscount.org	31 percent.
Children in single parent families	2006 ACS 2001 Supplemental Census Survey www.kidscount.org	32 percent.
Children living in families where no parent has full-time, year round employment	2006 ACS 2001 Supplemental Census Survey www.kidscount.org	35 percent.
Median family income.	2004 Census data www.census.gov.	\$44,409.00.
MI Rate of Unemployment.	Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth www.milmi.org	7.1 percent as of April 2007.
Percentage of children receiving free or reduced price lunch in elementary schools in the identified service area.	MDE (Local School Districts).	37.7 percent.
Percentage of families with children under age five, at 100 percent of poverty.	2006 American Community Survey (ACS) Census Data and 2001 Supplemental Census Survey published by Kids Count MI Data Book www.kidscount.org.	20 percent.
Percentage of families with children below 250 percent of poverty.	2006 American Community Survey (ACS) Census Data and 2001 Supplemental Census Survey published by Kids Count MI Data Book www.kidscount.org.	48 percent.

Children living in	2001 Supplemental Survey	8 percent.	
crowded housing	2006 ACS		
	www.kidscount.org		
Percentage of	Published in Right Start MI 2006	11 percent.	
births to teens	www.milhs.org		
(less than 20) as a			
percentage of live			
births.	MI Creat Departs/Creat Start	Mariaa bu aayyatyy	
Resources that are available for	MI Great Parents/Great Start	Varies by county:	
families with young	http://www.migreatparents.org/	community, activities, health,	
children in your		resources,	
community		parenting	
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Other			
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